

PROCLAMATION **DECA WEEK**OCTOBER 9-15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) strives to enhance the co-curricular education of students with interests in marketing, management and entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, DECA is committed to the advocacy of marketing education and the growth of business and education partnerships; and

WHEREAS, DECA provides students with a school-to-careers connection, contributing to a diverse, well-educated workforce; and

WHEREAS, DECA helps students develop skills and competence for marketing careers, build self-esteem, experience leadership and practice service learning, as well as develop high ethical standards in personal and business relationships; and

WHEREAS, DECA offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, providing them with career choices and an understanding of the competitive, free enterprise system; and

WHEREAS, DECA strives to develop a greater appreciation for the responsibilities of citizenship through character education; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 9-15, 2005, **DECA WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State